



## **MINUTES OF January 15, 2026, BOARD MEETING**

Authority Board Meeting

1:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER/ ROLL CALL:** Commissioner Stoneburner called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. Commissioners present were Jimmy Stoneburner, Jeff Sorensen, Bear Priest, Christina Hutchings, and Barry Bower. Also, present were the Executive Director John Crumb, Field Superintendent Aaron Grogg, legal counsel Lindsay Dangl, and one area resident. Absent was Executive Assistant Heather Mezo.

### **REVIEW AND SET THE AGENDA:**

Stoneburner moved to strike from the agenda; closed session, FY 2027 budget, 2026 equipment & labor rates, 2026 fee schedule, approval of counsel rates, and the Bluffs' sewer system and move to the February board meeting. Support given by Sorensen. **Motion carried: all ayes.**

Motion

Sorensen made a motion to set the agenda as amended. Motion was seconded by Bower.  
**Motion carried: all ayes.**

### **HEAR THOSE PRESENT:**

- No area residents spoke

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- December 1, 2025, Special Board Meeting Minutes
- Financial Report /Bills Pd. + Payable for November 2025 & December 2025

Motion

Sorensen made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Bower.

**Motion carried: 3 ayes , 2 nays.**

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- December 1, 2025, Board Meeting Sign-In Sheet
- The Bluffs November 2025 & December 2025
- SCSWA November 2025 & December 2025

- Village of Augusta November 2025 & December 2025
- City of Kalamazoo November 2025 & December 2025
- 9592 W Gull Lake Dr Proposed Easement Encroachment
- 6217 N 39<sup>th</sup> St Grinder System
- Ted Hartleb Agency Liability Insurance Proposal
- Hoffman Bros. Inc Notice of Award

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Annual Board Training**

Presentation

Director Crumb delivered a presentation on Components of a Lift Station.

### **Authorized Expenditure Policy**

Discussion

A discussion on the policy as presented occurred. Consensus received to have counsel return a revised version for the next meeting.

### **Contract Negotiations and Signing Policy**

Discussion

A discussion on the policy as presented occurred. Consensus received to have counsel return a revised version for the next meeting. Until the policy is completed Hutchings motioned that Mr. Grogg and staff are authorized to act in an emergency if necessary to mitigate an environmental disaster risk to prevent loss, binding GLSWA, then notify the Board members via phone call and a special board meeting will be called as soon as possible thereafter. Motion was seconded by Priest.

**Motion carried, all ayes.**

### **2026 Meeting Schedule**

Motion

Stoneburner made a motion to adopt the 2026 meeting schedule with one change moving the March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting date to March 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:30 a.m. Motion seconded by Sorensen.

**Motion carried, all ayes.**

### **5221 Beverly**

Motion

Sorensen made a motion to write off the outstanding sewer rates of \$1,163.45 due to the tax sale of the property. Motion seconded by Bower.

**Motion carried, all ayes.**

### **Executive Director Report**

Discussion

Director Crumb updated the board on items he has been working on and continues to work on.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- LS 1 Update MIOSHA Response – Director Crumb provided an update.
- Gull Lake View Golf Course – Director Crumb provided an update.
- LS # 5 Permit Status with RCKC – Director Crumb provided an update.

Motion was made to adjourn by Sorensen and Seconded by Hutchings.

**Motion carried, all ayes.**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, February 19, 2026, 1:30 p.m.

Submitted for approval

  
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Jeff Sorensen – Secretary